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RAISE THE VOICE OF LABOR IN CONGR

By VICTOR L. BERGER, The First Socialist Congressman

national issues which we have to discuss this fall. One is the high cost of living. In a few weeks it will be two years since the Democrats got control of the country. Woodrow Wilson was elected on a platform which promised the lowering of the cost of living. Since then every workingman, every small business man, has been "watchfully waiting" to see the cost of living go down.

Has it gone down? Not at all. It

is higher than it was two years ago, and it is higher now than ever before.

The Democrats and Woodrow Wilson used to claim that the high tariff was responsible for the high cost of living. The high tariff was cut in two. Has the cost of living gone down? Not an iota. On the contrary, it has gone up.

Wilson has not only promised to lower the cost of living, but also to curb the power of the big trusts, of the big banks, and of big business in general. Has he done so? On the contrary, he has curried the favor of the big trusts, of the big bankers, and of big business in general. Wilson has taken special care to let them know that he is their friend, not their enemy. He has stopped all attacks on big business and has seen to it that Congress passed a banking bill which had the indorsement of all the big bankers fully as much as the Aldrich bill ever had.

When there was a panic in banking circles on account of the world war, the government printed an especial issue of currency of about \$1,000,000,000, and then turned it over to Wilson's friends, the bankers,

What has he done for the working class, which is in an infinitely worse plight? Not a single thing.

DEMOCRATS BLAME TARIFF. Moreover, the revenues of the gov-

itance tax? Oh, no. The Democrats are going to put a higher tax on tobacco, on cigars, on beer, on nickel theaters and other amusements or necessities of the common people. In Germany, when the war broke out and the middlemen were getting ready to raise the cost of necessities the government stepped in and stopped

War.

Nothing of the kind was done in our country. That would be interfering with private business. And an interference with private business is justifiable only when the trusts and monopolies interfere with the private business of the small man or with the private buying power of the consumer. And this brings me to the other question before the country today, the question of unemployment. This is nation-wide and not a local or state

ernment have been diminished by cut-

ting down the tariff and by the world

In what way is the Wilson govern-

ment trying to raise money to make up

the deficiency? Is the Wilson govern-

ment proposing to tax the rich by levy-

ing a higher income tax? Or an inher-

HARD TIMES HERE BEFORE WAR.

And contrary to the lies of the capitalist press, the hard times and unemployment are not the result of the war. We had the panic and the "hard times" in our country for some months before the present war broke out.

his own experience, the era of unemployment set in about the middle of been made much worse without bring- be improved considerably.

ing all the activities of the nation to a standstill.

While the war may have hurt cer- at all. tain industries, particularly the cotton growers of the South, on the other the winter will be harder. Hundreds hand, the war will also compel the reopening of some factories that would starvation. Unless we take measures otherwise remain closed, because there of precaution, we may have bread riots are many articles which we were importing from Europe. We will now have to manufacture these at home.

DO NOT BETTER CONDITIONS.

The fact remains, however, that the is variously estimated at from 2,000,- ple in general. That is to send Social-

ing no inclination to do this. None

We have had a hard summer, and of thousands are facing hunger and next winter. Nothing, however, is being done by our ruling class to prepare for the emergency.

NEED SOCIALISTS IN CONGRESS.

There is only one way left for the number of unemployed in our country working class and for the common peo-

DURING his term of office Victor L. Berger, the first Socialist congressman, introduced twenty-four measures reflecting the wishes of the working class; addressed Congress and congressional committees eighteen times; forced a corrupt federal judge to resign from office; secured the admission of four Russian political refugees who had been detained by immigration authorities, and forced a settlement of the Lawrence mill strike with victory for the workers.

condition?

bankers? We have not heard of it. A billion dollars wisely expended might start many activities and employ many men. The government could

issue emergency currency and lend it for the capitalist class to make use of to states and municipalities at a nomithe competition of the workers for the re the present war broke out.

As every workingman knows, from ments and public buildings. This And we are would employ 1,000,000 men, who, in turn, would be enabled to spend money last winter. And the world war could for necessities of life, the production buy back the production of the country not aggravate it in any way, for the of which would again employ another with the wages they get. And under simple reason that it could not have 1,000,000. The condition might thus

000 to 3,000,000 men. And what is the ists to Congress, in order that the voice government doing to alleviate their of labor may be heard in the national legislature of our country.

Has Mr. Wilson issued any billion I know, of course, that a certain dollars for them, as he did for the amount of unemployment is inherent in the capitalist system. So long as the present profit system lasts we are bound to have some unemployed continually—in order to make it possible

And we are also bound to have industrial crisis and panics—because the working class of the country can not the capitalist system the workingman cannot get the full value of his product

But it is unnecessary for me to tell rection the wind blows. you that even one or two men, if they are of the right kind, can have connation to the oppressiveness of the present economic system.

purpose of the principle of bringing about international peace as speedily as possible.

At any rate, it would be of immense value to the country just at the present time to have men in Congress who would discuss the "hard times" and the "high cost" of living from the point of view of the working class.

Now the last question before us, which is in the mind of everybody, is Socialist legislative and congressional the world war-the greatest and blood-tickets, will be of national significance

iest of modern history.

STAND ALWAYS FOR PRACE.

earth and good will among men.

Now the only party on earth that stands for international and universal peace is the Socialist party. In this case the war came like a thief over to bottom. night. The various governments took possession at once of all the railroads. telegraphs, postal departments and means of transportation and communication and made it impossible even for an international congress to con-

This undoubtedly is one of the reato enforce peace.

The international Socialist movement is nevertheless even today the only power on earth that can force the powers of Europe to make peace.

In short, we may rightfully expect

where the Socialists have made such But the Wilson government is show-ing no inclination to do this. None profit on him.

because the employer must make a gains that they are now the first party in Sweden, plainly shows in which di-

500 per year; \$1 per year outside United States; 500 for 40 weeks in Clobs of

And the Socialist party of North America has issued an invitation to an siderable influence in Congress for the international Socialist congress, for the purpose of calling the attention of the purpose of discussing ways and means

SOCIALISM ONLY HOPE.

And the voters of the country can do nothing better towards bringing about peace than to vote the Socialist ticket.

A big Socialist vote, the election of because it will add to the prestige and We all agree on one thing, and that the weight of the opinions of those is that we want peace now-peace on who are doing their best to secure

If the working class of America really desires to bring about national welfare and international peace, then workingmen can do nothing better to bottom.

And the last reason you have for voting the Socialist ticket is the personal reason.

Do you want this oppressive capitalist system to continue forever? Do you want to leave an inheritance of slavery to your children? Or do you sons why international Socialism failed want to do your best to help along by your vote national welfare and international peace?

What can you gain by voting the old party tickets? You can gain absolutely nothing. What can you lose by voting the Socialist ticket? You can that this war more than anything else that has ever happened before will help along Socialism and international brotherhood.

lose nothing. In fact, by voting and working for the Socialist ticket you have nothing to lose but your chains, and a world to gain.

Wage Winning War in Politics

alastic and more nopelu than ever before, the Socialist party is waging a winning campaign against capitalism this fall.

From the Atlantic to the Pacific from Canada to the Gulf, the forces of Socialism, with all the resources at their command, are putting up the biggest fight possible.

NO LACK OF ENTHUSIASM. That there is not a lack of enthusiasm is shown by communications from the Socialist state secretaries received by The American Socialist. These communications are being published in this campaign issue because every Socialist in every state ought to these what every Socialist in every

know what every Socialist in every other state is doing. This is a review of the Socialist batthe line over the country, and the strong front presented to the enemy should give encouragement to Socialists in this campaign.

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Some of the state secretaries may be too optimistic.. They may feel that there is an opportunity of electing Socialists to Congress or to their respective state Legislatures where such success will come only after a few more years of hard agitation, organization and education work.

But the fighting spirit is there and will continue after the votes in this fall's election have been counted. Here are the replies in The American Socialist's "Roll Call of the States:"

SOCIALIST SENTIMENT IS GROWING IN CALIFORNIA By State Secretary T. W. Williams.

The vicious, non-partisan, Progressive direct primary law, made specifically to put the Socialist party out of bill, but it is one of the best possible business, has materially crippled our campaign this year. It depleted the treasury of state and local organiza
BIG FIGHT IN CHICAGO AND

state's attorney he received over 115,000 votes, and it is believed by capitalists.

many that iu a four-cornered race he has an excellent chauce to be elected this time.

"I have r greater more while special efforts are being made."

treasury of state and local organizations to place our candidates' names on the ballon. Fifty dollars each for the place of the state Legislature made and knew not k

Socialist Forces ONLY SOCIALISTS CAN CHANGE

By LUCIEN SAINT

Any man who works for his liv-

ing and who votes for the continuance in office of a Democrat or for the substitution of a Republican in

the substitution of a Republican in office by a Democrat, or vice versa, is voting against his own interest. I predict that thousands of workingmen will vote against their own interests this November, and thus contribute to the success of the political farce which is being played.

in Washington and which pretends to be a highbrow drama of the up-lift type.

The last four years should have demonstrated to every man or wom-an who can think that working men and women cannot possibly

men and women cannot possibly gain anything for themselves or for their class by electing either Republicans or Democrats.

Mr. Taft did a great service to the country by showing frankly that the party which he led was more interested in highway rebbery than in government for and by the people. Mr. Roosevelt tried to pick up the remnants of Mr. Taft's party, taught them to sing hymns and endeavored to get away with it on the social and industrial justice line. Probably Mr. Roosevelt tried to the social and industrial justice line. Probably Mr. Roosevelt has failed. Mr. Wilson walked in and get elected by a minority

veit has failed. Mr. Wilson walked in and get elected by a misority of the veters of the country who refused to fall for either Mr. Taft or Mr. Roosevelt.

Mr. Wilson and his party are campaigning on Mr. Wilson's record and on the record of the Democratic Congress. They are also campaigning on the obvious fact that we are not at war with Mexico while Europe is drenched

emance of election. We expect to elect from three to five from Los Angeles. We will carry no counties or cities.

Socialist sentiment is growing rapidly and crystallizing into action. The eight-hour day agitation will cause us to lose heavily is the farming districts due to the misrepresentation of big business, and the feeling on the part of the farmers that they will be worsted.

It will, however, tend to solidify the working class as nothing else can do. We have compelled big business to mean an enormous amount of money. They have taken one of our campaign slogans, and have published it in every averageer in California, in order, as in class as a solidited of the control of the contro

in blood. This is all very interesting but it does not signify. What signifies is:

That more men and women than ever in the history of the United States are out of a job.

That the amount of "prosperity" which falls to the average man and woman is steadily getting less and less. And.

less. And. That poverty is increasing and the trusts, heartily co-operating with the president in his "anti-trust" program, are laughing in their

Not one thing has been done or proposed by the Democrats, or proposed by any of their political constants (argent the Positions) cal opponents (except the Socialists) to remedy these fundamental conditions, to change these unhealthy and alarming conditions into conditions such as should characterize a civilized democracy in the transiteth contracts.

a civilized democracy in the twentieth century.

These are undoubted facts and every honest man must admit them.

These facts are the only important facts which concern the working people of this country, and every attempt to make them think that any other facts have anything to do with the election of officials for the federal government this fall must be set down as nothing but an attempt to draw a red herring across the true trail.

A man asked President Taft once what a man could do who was out

A man asked President Taft once what a man could do who was out of a job, who wanted a job, but who could get none. Mr. Taft said that he did not know but that God did. I doubt whether the Democrate could make an equally wise answer to this question.

this time.

While special efforts are being made

WAR BULLETINS

By Occar Ameringer The Allied Array of Unemployed is besieging the shop gates of the nation Nearly all of the wanned in the present industrial war in this country have been hit in the stomach.

The attack on the free lunch counter continues with unabated fury. The report from Petrograd, Ky., that the breadline is slowly crumbling away is officially denied in Berlin, Wis.

The army of General Hunger i making satisfactory progress. The Interstate Commerce Commis-sion has made a vicious attack on our

communication by raising reight rates. Zeppelin XIII which ascended from Port Poverty last week to locate meat prices is now almost out of sight and still going up.

Since the outbreak of the war the are reporting a tremendous increase in passenger traffic. It seems that the fad of seeing America first has af-fected even the lower classes.

The reserve army of labor which went West to harvest the bumper crops, is returning East on the but ers without the crops.

AMALGAMATED COPPER WINS -MAYOR DUNCAN IS OUSTED. Lewis J. Duncan, Socialist mayor of Butte, Mout., has been removed from office by Judge Ayers, and au appeal will be made to the Supreme can says:

"The expected has happened. The capitalist conspirators against the rights and liberties of the working people of this county and state have again demonstrated their ability to put over what they plan. I have been ousted, not because I neglected to do my duly, but because I had courage to act by a higher and more humane principle than is approved by the

"I have regarded human life as o

SEE MANY SOCIALISTS IN STATE Coal Barons Get Guns For 4,000 LEGISLATURES AND IN CONGRESS Colorado Scabs

FOR STATE LEGISLATURES. Socialist state secretaries hope for the election of Socialists to state Legislatures as follows:

WISCONSIN—We will send not less than 12 Socialists to the state

ILLINOIS—We expect to re-elect the four Socialists elected two years ago in Chicago, and two in addition. We have good prospects in three districts downstate.

minnesoff — We had one representative in the last Legislature, and are quite sure of five members of the lower house and one senator, and have a good show for two more senators and two more representatives.

electing a number of state legisla-

CALIFORNIA-We will send a number of Socialists to the state Legislature. Three of our Alameda comrades stand excellent chances of election. We expect to elect from three to five from Los Angeles.

MONTANA-We should elect Socialists to the state Legislature from at least six counties, and have delegation there of at least 19. KANSAS—We are almost sure of electing from three to five repre-sentatives to the state Legislature, with the possibility of electing eight

NEBRASKA--We are going to try to send some Socialists to the state Legislature.

NEVADA-We have an excellent chance to get a large represe in the state Legislature.

NORTH CAROLINA-We have a chance to send one repres to the state Legislature. NORTH DAKOTA-There will be elected no less than half a dosen Bocialists to the state Legislature.

OHIO-We expect to elect representatives to the state Legislature 17.25 inc countries and member 22.25 inc countries and possibly Perry and Athens.

OKLAHOMA—Think we will get

from 30 to 40 members in the sext Legislature. PENNSYLVANIA — Reports from a half dozen districts indicate some chances for the state Legis-

lature.
RHODE ISLAND—There is fighting chance to elect James P. Reid to the state Legislature. WEST VIRGINIA-We have the best prospects of the five principel parties in Kanawah County of putting five members into the state Legislature.

In next week's issue of The American Socialist we are going to tell how James E. Maurer, Socialist, now president of the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor, started fighting "The American Coenack," the day after he was elected to the Pennsylvania state Legislature in 1918. You will need a bundle of this issue of The American Socialist to make Socialists and Socialist votes in your neighborhood. Order your bundle now. Pity couse a hundred or \$6 a discussed.

FOR CONGRESS.

The hopes of the Socialist party the time away in Washington, plan-

The hopes of the Socialist party state secretaries for the election of Socialists to Congress on November 3 are as follows:

WISCONSIN—Our chances for sending Berger and Gaylord to Congress from the Foarth and Fifth districts are exceedingly hopeful.

OKLAHOMA—Chances bright for carrying three, and possibly more, congressional districts.

OHIO—There is a possible chance of electing our candidates for Congress in the Third, Fourteenth and Nineteenth districts.

OHIO—There is a possible chance of electing our candidates for Congress in the Third, Fourteenth and Nineteenth districts. NORTH DAKOTA—If the oppo-

sition is somewhat evenly split up in elect L. L. Griffith to Congress. NEVADA—Socialism in Nevada is going to elect the first Socialist United States senator and a representative to Congress.

KANSAS—We feel that we have a splendid show of electing L. F. Fuller to Congress from the Third

MONTANA—There is at least a possibility, if not a probability, that one or both congressmen from Montana to the national House will be

MINNESOTA—We hope to elect PENNSYLVANIA — Informed that we have chances of victory in the two congressional districts of Allegheny County.

ILLINOIS—We have good prospects of electing Carl D. Thompson from the Seventh Congressional district in Chicago.
INDIANA-We have chances of

electing two congressmen.

While President Wilson is fiddling

KILL ONE—IT IS MURDER! KILL 100,000—PATRIOTISM. By Eugene V. Deba.

If you, for a private grudge, kill a man, it is murder. If 10,000 of you, at the command of your mastera, go out to slay 10,000 other meu of another nation, they call it patriotism. An easy way to end war is this: Let the capitalists do the fighting. If you do, there will never be another war. You workingmeu are told it is your duty to die for your country. When die he working class over have a country. to die for your country. When did the working class ever have a coun-

The canitalistic classes own th The capitalistic classes own the country. Are they prepared to die for it? Oh, no, that's what you are for. In peace you produce wealth for them; in war you fight for their profit and glory. You do not fight upon your own account. Why fight on theirs? They do not even thank you for it; why they won? a secieta with your

They do not even thank you for it; why they won't associate with you, and by the way, what has become of The flague peace tribunal?

The war in Europe was declared by the ruling classes. Never in the history of mankind has war been declared by the working classes.

With the end of industrial competition will come the end of war. tion will come the end of war

AN AUDIENCE OF 50.000!

The American Socialist is now talking to an audience of 50,000 To be exact, the figures this week show 44,412 actual subscribers, but the bundle orders force us to publish 50,000 or more copies weekly. We have set our hopes on having 100,000 subscribers by January l, 1915. That is just two and one-half months away, only a little

more than 10 weeks. Now, what does that mean? It simply means that the subscrip tion list of The American Socialist must climb at the rate of 5,000 week. We are going up now only at the rate of 1,000.a week. But the energetic hustlers of The American Socialist are equa

to the task. They are going to make The American Socialist audience number 100.000. We have gathered this increasing audience together to organise

and educate it in the peaceful war to achieve the aims and ambitions During September alone among those who addressed this vast gathering through The American Socialist were: Charles Edward

Russell, Morris Hillquit, A. M. Simons, Eugene V. Debs, Robert Hunter, John M. Work, Joseph E. Cohen, J. Stitt Wilson, Carl D. Thompson, Seymour Stedman, Adolph Germer, and George Kirkpatrick.

Every member of our American Socialist audience now wants there to join him. Remember, we want an audience of 100,000 by January 1, 1915. Do your part now by getting the enclosed sub-scription blank filled with new additions to our present audience of

90,000. Do it now! LOOK FOR THE "SUB" BLANK!

GET WAR LEAFLET No. 2—HOW SOCIALISTS WOULD MEET THE WAR CRISIS Friend See Counts por 1000, Propuld

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CHEWORD TRU The strength of Socialism is growing. The power of Socialism iscreases day by day. The war in Enrope will not hurt Socialism, as some anti-Socialists hope, but it will help it, because it will make all thinking people so sick of war that they will turn to Socialism as the only hope of putting an end to all wars.

The Socialist party is growing in strength and influence in the United States. Read the stories of the Social-

ist party state secretaries in this cam-paign issue and become acquainted with the growing Socialist enthusiasm that is sweeping the nation.

The growth of Socialism in America will be shown by the increased vote that will be cast for Socialist candidates November 3. And the member-ship of the Socialist party is increas-

ing and will continue to mount higher and higher every month during the approaching winter.
All this is also reflected in the everincreasing number of readers of The American Socialist, the official organ of the national Socialist party. More in turn, means more party members, an increased strength in this country,

all war forever.

That is why we are enclosing a subscription blank in your paper this week to give you an opportunity to help in this way to build up the world movement of Socialism.

and finally a growing power to abolish

This Week's Editorial From Socialist Press

WAR AND DEMOCRACY.

(From the Milwaukee Leader) The war most end in democracy Pages could be filled with quotations from non-Socialist publications repeating this sentiment. This war must see the end of domination by classes, monarchs, armament cliques and every form of domination from abova.

In the beginning the world looked to the Socialists to stop the war. Socialist party.

SUFFRAGE SOUGHT BY THE SOCIALISTS AT WASHINGTON many who looked upon Socialism as a foreign importation in the past are being forced to the wall and many who looked upon Socialism as a foreign importation in the past are being forced to the wall and many who looked upon Socialism as a foreign importation in the past are being forced to the wall and many who looked upon Socialism as a foreign importation in the past are being forced to the wall and many who looked upon Socialism as a foreign importation in the past are work trying to secure the right of Thomason has made a school house the Socialists to stop the war. Socialist party. Pages could be filled with quotations

to the Socialists to stop the war. That they did not stop the war was due to the fact that many of the mile SOCIALIST SENTIMENT IS lions who followed the flag of Socialiam were too recent converts and too ties that are now reproaching the So-cialists with inability to stop the war. The only way the war can be really

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ONE MORE CHANCE TO ENTER THE AMERICAN SOCIALIST MEMBERSHIP-SUBSCRIPTION CONTEST

There is still time to enter The American Socialist membership-subscription contest. We have given in to the demand that locals be given until November 1 to qualify.

Comrades have been writing that they will take up this matter at the next meeting of their local if the time is extended. And so we said, "Go ahead."

That gives two extra weeks to enter the line-up. In the meantime the contest is on. It started October 15. The Socialist party local sending in the largest number of new subscribers from that time until December 15, who are at the time new party members, will be given a set of THE LIBRARY OF CLASSICS, a set of 30 cloth-bound books.

The full details of this contest have been explained in the last three party of the contest have been explained in the last three party of the contest have been explained in the last three party of the contest are those at Nashua, N. H.; Holyoke, Mass., and Campello, Mass.

candidates, as well as a considerable increase in our party membership.

COMING TO SOCIALISM NOW By State Sec'y W. H. Henry.

one end to the other. It seems that at last the Socialists are looking for victory in the not far distant future. We have more locals than a year ago by twenty. We have four speakers touring the state under the auspices o We have four speakers this office. Besides there are dozens of speakers in the counties working under the guidance of the locals Marion County (Indianapolis) alone has thirty speakers working almost steadily in the county. Prospects are good for victory in the Seventh Congressional District, which is the same

legislators. Indiana has been one of the many states where the unemploy- five congressional districts and have a ment has been great. This question is candidate in one other. The present foremost—no work, discontent at its highest pitch and Socialists placing trict is the Eighth, which includes the the literature and spoken word in every corner of the state. Everybody is coming to Socialism now.

SUFFRAGE SOUGHT BY THE

The only way the war can be really sentiment for Socialism was growing to stopped is by democracy, and by Social-Democracy. This does not mean that the present series of battles may not be stopped. This may be done at almost any time. The Socialists of the world are trying with all their energy to secure such a stoppage.

But any peace that would leave the forces that model leave the model was still in the add-not but think that the comrades will.

In the Ninth district we have eliminated to stopping the stopping of the stopping to stopping the stopping that the present incumbent, a Republican, and the city of Minneapolis, and there is a four-cornered fight, although the result is not thought that the Democrat or Progressive has much of a chance to win. The contest will be between the present incumbent, a Republican, and the city of Minneapolis, energy to secure such a stoppage.

But any peace that would leave the forces that made war still in the saddle would be only a truce, a pause for and bigger struggle. Socialists will ever for such a truce, because work even for such a truce, because that no the truce, because the such a truce, because the such as subsided, and I fully anticipate a greatly in the reis always a chance that in the creased activity in the near future.

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We are putting up a more active than any of

Socialist Forces Waging Winning War

(Continued from Page One) per, and the election of several of our

INDIANA SHOWS EVERYONE

Indiana is alive with Socialism from

date for Congress.

We have chances of electing two congressmen and a number of state legislators. Indiana has been one of

Socialist party.

ment only waiting scientific treatment Branden at our hands to ripen into membership

MINNESOTA HAS CHEERING MESSAGE FOR ALL STATES By State Sec'y T. E. Letimer.

The Socialist party of Minnesota is in the ring with a goodly number of county and legislative candidates, although this is the one state in the Union having a non-partisan county and legislative election law. and legislative election law.

Many of our candidates were elimi-

Industrial Conditions Bad.

all summer and others are running short shifts. Many of the small oper-

trict, and will be a strong competitor or Congressman Lindberg, as there is a four-cornered fight, with the con-GROWING RAPIDLY IN IOWA
By State Sec'y I. S. McCrillia.

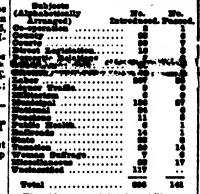
The state Sec'y I. S. McCrillia.

There never has been a time in the history of the movement when the sentiment for Socialism was growing so rapidly as now, and lowa is no exception to this rule.

Ilowever, it would seem that the organization is not keeping pace with the growth of acciment and in this terms are the growth of acciment and in this terms and in this terms and in this terms and in this terms and in the growth of acciment and in this terms and in this terms and in the growth of acciment and in this terms and in the growth of acciment and in this terms and in the growth of acciment and in the growth and growth accident and growth and growth accident accident and growth and growth accident and growth accident and growth accident and growth and growth accident and growth accident and growth accident accident and growth accident and growth accident and growth accident accident and growth accident accident accident and growth accident ac

SOCIALIST LAWMAKERS BIG AID TO WURKERS

Here is the record of the Socialists in the state Legislatures, which will have a new and inspiring chapter added to it as a result of this fall's tive measures introduced and passed rom 1907 to 1913 were as follows:



The 35 specessful labor bills may

Many of our candidates were eliminated at the primaries, so only the two highest will be on the ballot at the general election.

We have candidates on the nonpartisan ballot in 14 counties and expect to elect in eight counties in a two-cornered fight. The other parties are conceding us an increased representation in the state Legislature at the next session. We had one representative in the last Legislature, and are quite sure of five members of the

gressional District, which is the next session.

The First District will make a great showing with Comrade Raney of the United Mine Workers as the candilate for Congress.

the next session.

The First District will make a great sentative in the last Legislature, and are quite sure of five members of the lower house and one senator, and have a good show for two more sentative. Privilege of municipal initiative, referrators and two more representatives. Special strention may be called to defect that, of the municipal measure, three provide directly for municipal content of the provided ground many care the provided ground many care the provided freely for municipal initiative, reference of municipal municipal initiative, reference of municipal municipal initiative, reference of municipal municipal

Letters from "American Socialist" Readers

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The Socialist platform calls for the expenditure of vast eume of money for public improvemente and protection. There is one easy way to get it: Use the people's savings. Take all the eurplus value created hy labor to employ more labor. Encourage thrift hy a savings bank system that will enable the workers to provide against misfortune and secure for themselves leisure and luxury in the future. Thus the workers can become shareholders in the publicly owned and democratically-managed industries, and each will retain hie full product—no more, no less.

Beaton Harbor, Mich.

Comrade Hillquit, ia hie comments on the above motion, evidently either ignores the true purport of the motion or has not read it understandingly. The motion does not compel or even advise the National Committee to call the coargress, hut requires them to get busy it the most feasible way. For instance, why should they not at once enter into correspondence through circular letters with all the labor organization heads in the United States, and Canada, too, for that matter, asking them to call such a congress, and to allow in the call for representation hy delegates from conventione of unemployed as well? It was not the intent of the motion that the writer believes such a call would be gratile, and would be an unwarranted assumption on the part of the Socialist organization.

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NOTICE TO LUCKE NEC RETARIES.

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By Zeeni Atties, Indhas (first published in The American Socialist October 10), proposing that a new plank be added to the national platform declaring that no more war shall be begun in the United States except by direct vote of the people themselves, has been esconded by the following locals: Kickapes, Okla; Carler, Okla; Lufkin, Tex; Matlock, Wash.; Scottdale, Pa.; Ronoevert, W. V.

By English Level, Bulwith, Minn. (first published in The American Socialist October 3), proposing that the Socialist party and the Socialist Labor party mits, forming the Socialist party of the United States, has been seconded by Local Morgantown, W. Va.

By Local Gelumbus, Eas. (first published in The American Socialist September 19), that the action of the National Committee in submitting to referendum a proposal (National Referendum "D," 1914) to change the percentage required to initiate referendums, be declared unconstitutional, and the vote on same be suspended and nutilified, has been seconded by the following locals: Winfield, Kan.; Union, Miss.; Jackson, Miss.; Muscatins, Iowa; Guifport, Miss.; Parsons, Kan.; Humboldt, Kan.; Lowe, Kan.

By Eccal Etisabeth, W. Va. (first pubtished in The American Socialist August t), that all party dues collected by locals during the month of November, 1914, less the regular state dues, shall be applied toward payment of the national party debt, has been seconded by Local North East, Washington, D. C.

NATIONAL COMMITTEE BUSINESS. Motions by Goobel of New Jersey.

That the National Secretary be directed to secure at once and furnish to the National Committee and membership through The American Socialist information as follows:

First—As to how the vots on the socialist unity referendum, proposed by Minnesots, was given by nationalities, or, in other words, as to what percentage of the vote for and against the proposed action was by forsign-speaking federation branches and what portion by the English-speaking branches.

Second—As to whather the foreign-speaking branches voting for this proposed action are largely of the faction that has brought disruption into the wonderful Finnish organization and captured control of its educational institutions in Minnesota.

Third—As to whether, in event of snough locals asking for submission of this referendum, the National Office proposes to submit as part of the referendum as now presented, Comment Unity, Conference Report, and all! In face of Article 16, Section 3, of the national coastitution.

Tearth—In the event of such submission, how will it be distermined who shall write the comment against the proposed action?

COMMENT

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than its own. Hundreds of comrades who gave er leaned money or purchased stock of the Chicago Daily Socialist need their money more that this great cryanisation, which, despite having two great strikes on its hands, was rich enough to recently increase the yearly enlaries of its officials some \$10,000. Let us have consistency and fair play to our own comrades and locals who have given to the point of exhaustion.

I more that the National Office shall

I move that the National Office shall send out no appeals to the loosis or other sub-divisions of the party for donations of money for any purpose without such proposed action first being submitted to the National Committee and approved by a two-thirds vote of those veting on same.

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MPONDEEDE:

Chicago, Ill., October 10, 1914. Dear Comrades: The following telegram has just been received: (Copy.)

ring letter has been cent to labor organizations: Dury for and Brother: By resent as-m of the National Committee of the schillet party the following action was

HOW TO DOUBLE YOUR MEMBERSHIP

By Carl D. Thompson.

As a suggestion how to double the membership of the Socialist party of America, and of each local in particular, we submit the following:

One certain ward branch in Chicago has 250 members 10 membe

cago has 250 members. Its regular meetings fill a small hall. It has meetings fill a small hall. It has several distinct organizations and a precinct organization in each of its 43 precincts. One of these precinct organizations brought in 26 applications are the second of August — the hottest record and like hottest or 55 or

receivement his hottest-out. A Callingua.

Its Young People's League has nearly 30 members and there are several women's clube. It publishes a fear-page ward paper called "The Optimise," which it distributes to every voter in the ward every month; there are ever 20,000 in the ward. It conducts from 15 to 25 meetings in every campaign; there is a campaign every year.

The meetings are held in the public school buildings and average from 100 to 350 in attendance.

In the last campaign that ward branch corralled 7,226 votes for its candidate for the City Council,

candidate for the City Council, which was 34 per cent of the total vote and lacked only 660 out of the 21,270 of electing.

It is now in the forefront of a big campaign to elect several repre-sentatives to the state Legislature and the full county ticket.

One of the most successful meth-ods used by this branch for getting

new members and new recruits is as follows: It gots a trap for new members at EVERY MEETING. If there is a

person in any audience that is at all "impressed" or the least bit "inclined," they nail him on the spot. They get him on their list.

And this is the way they do it:

Just before the collection is taken the ushers distribute a small card to every person in the andience, while

the chairman, or some one for the task, explains:
"We are carrying on a great campaign—fighting for a mighty cause.
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dreds more to help us. "Now, look at your card. On the first line is a place for your name and address. If you are even a lit-

Then, if you are willing to help.
Then, if you are willing to help.
Substitute our districture, make a cross on the third line.
"We must also man the polis on election day. We need 300 volunteers for that alone. Will you help? If so, sign on thet line.
"Also, we must have funds. We need a thousand dollars for the campaign in this ward. If you can help, put down the amount. There is a long line there for that, and a place to indicate whether you wish to pay cash or in monthly installments.
"And, most important of all, if you are ready to join the party and get into the regular army for the cause, indicate it by a cross on the last line. We will have one of our organizers or workers call on you

ganizers or workers call on you with all necessary explanations, constitutions and platforms of the party, rules and methods of the or-

please drop them into the collection basket or hat as it is passed."

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PAIGN BROUGHT THE WARD BRANCH 85 MEMBERS IN ONE MEETING, over 40 at the next one, and they are still coming in.

We print the card below. Send to the National Office for a supply of them; you onght to have from 200 to 5,000, depending on the size of your meetings. We will supply them at cost. them at cost.

SOCIALIST VOLUNTEER WORKER. Will you distribute literature?..... Will you man your polling place?..... How much will you contribute?..... When and how? Cash...... Monthly...... Monthly..... Will you join the party?

Socialist Forces Waging Winning War

(Continued from Page Two)

I am against the proposed action because I believe in real UNITY. As well achieve relisf from pain by inserting a splinter under one's finger nail as get unity by the method proposed by this referendum, which proposes not that there shall be a nnion or merger, with both lost in one, but in reality that the because entities, and the Socialist party of America, shall give the lis to everything it has said since its birth as to faction and platform. Let them sign an application eard like we did if they bonestly want unity.

Will Re-elect Morrill.

Vote.

However, there will be a big gain good if made into law and carried to gut where there is one radical in old parties there are ten conservations that is no longer a serious factor. The Republicans have come out with a reactionary platform and candidates, and all the Democrats have to offer is what the people have been enduring for the last year, and there is no doubt that thousands will cast their votes for Socialism.

SOCIALISM SWEEPING ON TO VICTORY IN NEVAL By State Sec'y Thos. M. Fagan, Nevada is going to elect the first the second of the s

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to the Socialist party.

The principal methods used to op-The principal methods used to oppose Socialism are to endeavor to divide the workers along race and religious lines, but these attempts are really helping the Socialists, as such meetings cause a lot of discussion about Socialism, and there is an increased demand for Socialist literatures a manife

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official party. NEBRASKA VOTE INCREASE

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"Hoping I may have an early and favorable reply, "Toure fraternally, "WALTER LANFERSIER, "Exceptive Secretary S. P."

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the vote will show a tremendons increase over two years ago.

We are trying hard to send some they are going to have any relief for the coming winter. Many of them will vote for Socialists to the state Legislature, have lost their residence while in search of work and will be unable to yote.

It is a common thing to hear a capthology of the coming winter.

It is a common thing to hear a capthology of the coming winter.

This shows that during September the party has overcome the summer slump and is now mounting in membership, with excellent promises for the coming winter.

It is a common thing to hear a capthology of the state, I learn that we will poll the coming winter.

Fusion Candidates at Sea.

thing that would really do the people good if made into law and carried ont. in the vote. The Progressive party old parties there are ten conservatives is no longer a serious factor. The Re-But where there is one radical in the

They expect the one radical to fool the working class into voting for all

TO VICTORY IN NEVADA By State Sec'y Thos. M. Fagan. Will Re-elect Morrill.

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quadruple.

The old party candidates are openly recognizing the Socialists as the opponents they must fight and discredit, if possible. The strennous efforts of the old-line parties to maintain their position in the face of almost certain position in the face of almost certain defeat is causing the Socialists to rally Socialists Capture Protest Meeting.

SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP

the decreases in the western and southern states.

The comrades in those states that show a decrease ought to make spe-cial efforts to bring up the member-

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Nye County, the mining center of Nevada, will have a Socialist sheriff and assessor. This is conceded even

by our opponents. The county cam-paign is on the question of Socialism, and the fusion candidates are all at sea as to how to proceed. In order to maintain themselves they have resorted to all the time-worn tactics to defeat the working class. Every move they have made but hastens their own destruction. The latest attempt was

the dynamite stunt, famous the world Probably the opposition to Socialism is nowhere more bitter than in Massachusetts. Meetings are held on the streets and in halls in opposition to the Socialist party.

In all places the vote will double and triple, and in some places their schemes did not work out as to the Socialist party.

The old party candidates are const.

Die for some time, and each failnre has resulted in great gains for the Socialist movement, and more or less double and triple, and in some places their schemes did not work out as to the Socialist party.

The old party candidates are const.

cialists in the county.

Piling Pos Outrage.

Outside of these two counties mentioned above where we will more than double our vote. This makes the election of a Socialist United States senator as certain as figures will make it, a representative

OVER 1912 TO BE BIG ONE figures will make it, a representative Bonanza would rather take another in Congress almost certain, and if we licking from the district attorney than

NEBRASKA VOTE INCREASE

(Copy.)

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"Matter Lanferstein, Recreatory 2, P., 543.

W. Madison firrest, Chicago. Ill.
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and address. If you are even a little bit in sympathy with our work, if you would like to get our free literature and the announcements of our meetings, give us your meetings, give us

sary to come back before election and first time in their lives. Most of them twice this number. One thing is cermake some speeches in the territory, will vote the Socialist ticket. The (Cntinued on Page Four) Two years ago he did not come near Alaska, except to fix up the convention so that he could get the nomina-

tion for delegate.
Our candidate will poll a much larger vote on the southern Alaska coast than two years ago. Our vote will be considerably smaller in the interior this year because so many Ang. Sopt. Ave. coast than two years ago. Our vote will be considerably smaller in the interior this year because so many of the working class are coming out-ass. Sopt. Sopt.

SITUATION IN ARIZONA

AIDS SOCIALIST FIGHT By State Sec'y Alice S. Eddy. After nearly three years of state-hood, Arizona approaches her second state election—an election in which women as well as men will partici-pate, an election of measures as well

as of men and women.

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of our state paper, the Arizona State Socialist Bulletin. Our aim in this, as in every campaign, is to reach the people with our message, and to build permanent organization.

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SEPTEMBER MEMBERSHIP

SHOWS PARTY PROGRESS

We present herewith the table of membership by states for the past three months, with the average for the period. The star (*) indicates that the state so marked shows an increase in the average membership as compared with the average shown for August several weeks ago.

The total paid membership is 81,683, including those using the dual stamps, cause only those with initiative and to which must be added the average exempt membership, which makes the tempt membership which makes the tempt makes the tempt makes the tempt membership which makes the tempt membership which makes the tempt membership who are in the state, and the great the other.

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COLORADO REPEATS JURY FIXING STORY

Colorado repeats the nation wide story of how the employing class has secured control of the power of selecting jurors and is thus doubly secure in its domination of the courts.

The story of the struggle in the coal nelds of this western state, where humanity is challenging the power of organized greed, is told by Adolph Germer, vice-president of the Illinois Mine Workers. He was one of the miners' officials in charge of the Colorado strike when it started. He says:

BY ADOLPH GERMER.

IN STATE LEGISLATURES GROWS

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The representatives of the Socialists elected the previous course, impossible to estimate. That it is great and increasing is evident. It constitutes one of the important elements in the power of the Socialists party. Bismarch, in Germany, frankly admitted that a very large part of the progressive social legislation of his country was due discountry was due dis

BY ADOLPH GERMER. The disclosures made by the Lawyers' Association of Illinois are more or less prevalent in other sections of the country. For instance, in certain counties in Colorado practically the same persons have made up the jury panel for years.

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The sheriffs, who are usually the tools of the big interests, select the jurors and, of course, it is natural that the panels will be made up of persons who will render the verdicts desired by the interests.

As an illustration showing how this works, I might cite the fact that in Huerfano County, Colo., out of the 300 persons making up the jury panel, 43 were commissioned deputy sheriffs and 218 were political allies of the sheriff, and these were to try striking coal miners charged with having shot mine guards, holding deputy sheriffs' commissions.

Verily, under these circumstances, a fair and impartial trial cannot be

a fair and impartial trial cannot be had. But this condition will continue so long as those invested with the

so long as those invested with the power to make up jury panels owe their election to the campaign contributions of big business.

Rich men will influence the selection of juries as long as the candidates of the rich men's political parties are elected to office. And the sad feature is that the rich men's candidates are elected by the wates of the near.

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for The American Socialist by a prominent attorney who does not wish to
have his name known. He says: "Do the mining companies in the copper country of Michigan control er seek to control the jurers sitting in "Up to three years ago litigants to the courts?"

Western Federation of Miners have planned a meeting at Butte, Mont., in an effort to ambigament the two anions of copper miners.

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The representatives of the Socialist party have been waging a continuous war for labor in the state Legislature since the election of its first state lawmaker, James P. Carey, in Massachusetta, in 1898.

This fight has been gradually growing in power, until in 1913 the 22 Socialists elected the previous fall took their seats in nine different state Legislatures.

That this number will be greetly increased as a result of the present political struggle, no one doubta. The real story of the growth of Socialist strength in the state Legislatures is told in "The Legislative Program of the Socialist Party," written by Ethelwyn Mills and published by the National Office.

Gathering strength slowly in every state, the party finally breaks through here and there and elects a representative to the state Legislature. Carey served in the Massachusetts Legislature until 1903.

F. O. MacCartney was elected in the same state in 1899, and served four terms.

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The party was then without representatives until 1909, when Chas. H. Morrill was elected in Massachusetts. He still holds office and his re-election this year is confidently

re-election this year is connecuty predicted.

In New York the first representative, Herbert H. Merrill, was elected in 1911. In Pennsylvania the Socialists won a seat in 1910 by electing Jas. H. Maurer, now president of the Pennsylvania State Federation of Labor. Representatives had previously been elected in Illinois and Florida, and Nels S. Hillman of Minnesots was elected in man of Minnesota was elected in 1910, and has served his second term. In 1911 Rhode Island sent James P. Reid to the state Legisla-

ture.

In Wisconsin a group of Socialist legislators has been elected to the state Legislature for five biennial terms. Thus gradually, but surely, the power of the Socialist party is growing, as the number elected increases.

During the time that Socialists have served in state Legislatures they have succeeded in securing the passage of 141 different state legis-

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course, impossible to estimate. That it is great and increasing is evident. It constitutes one of the important elements in the power of the Socialist party. Bismarck, in Germany, frankly admitted that a very large part of the progressive social legislation of his country was due directly to the growing power of the Socialist movement.

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Such concessions are often sope thrown out by the capitalistic and reform movements in politics in a vain effort to stop the oursels of Socialism. They are a constant testimony to the strength of the Socialist party, and evidence that Its policies are obtaining recognition.

If, with such hopeless minorities If, with such hopeless menorities in legislative bodies as the party has so far had, such results follow, then the faith of the Socialist party in the future possibilities of this work is in every way justified. If, as in Wisconsin, a half dosen or a docen Wisconsin, a half dozen or a dozen Socialists in the state Legislature of 133 members come out of a seasion with 67 successful measures to their credit; If 41 Socialists, serving in all 68 terms, in the 48 Legislatures of the United States, here 141 successful measures to their credit; if, as in California, the development of the Socialist party and the creatalit, as in California, the development of the Socialist party and the crystal-lising of Socialist sentiment is fol-lowed by the passage of a half hun-dred more or less important labor and Socialistic measures—then sure-ly the future of the Socialist move-ment is secure.

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It has only to maintain the steady growth that has characterised it every year since the beginning, and two inevitable results will follow:
First, the opposing forces in capitalism will be compelled to grant or permit increasing concessions, until they cannot concede more without giving up the citadel to the Socialists; and in thet process, Socialism is certain to gain at every step of the way.

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Second, with the growth of the party, its number of representatives in legislative bodies will include the party of tives in legislative bodies will increase, until at length the power of Socialism cannot longer be met with a policy of concession or compremise, and the final lesse will be

drawn.

The capitalist politicians, law-makers and all will be forced law capitals the capital that contains the capital that contains the law that contains and confict where Socialism and the comthe Socialists will hold the com-manding power in the legislative bodies, to pees their measures on roll-call by sheer count of ayes and

Socialist Forces Waging Winning War

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In Roberts County, the candidate for sheriff will run at least very close, as will one commissioner. For Legislatur— Hand, Butte and Perkins Coun as will each poll a vote that spells victory in another two years, if not at this time.

There are at the present time some 40 Socialist officials in the state, mostly elected in townships where parties took no part in the elections. Quite a few townships are now Socialist "for keeps," having a clear majority over all other parties.

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the growth of Socialist sentiment. For this there are several reasons. One is that members move away; in the western half of the state, several counties have as much as 10 per cent of the vote Socialist, and half have no locals. The scattered state of settlement requires an anusal form of organization, a compromise between the usual local and membership and the organization is one anted whole, growing and learning, and preparing to double the membership in the eoming year. The Commonwealth, published at Mitchell, into a state party news and is a great help. Locals have herestore had to learn from experience and have resented the idea that some one probably could tell them what to do and would not; this, it is beginning to be realized, is an illusion, and the organization along these things systematically, it what does the work.

Our membership in June was a little over 300 and in September is between 600 and 700, so we have reason to feel that we are going up.

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ENCOURAGING INCREASE IN
THE PENNSYLVANIA VOTE.
By State Soc. Robert B. Ringler.
We have been informed that we have chances of victory in two congressional districts in Allegheny
County

County.

Reports from, possibly, a half a dozen districts indicate some chances

for the state Legislature.

Have no anticipations of carrying any counties for Socialism.

General political situation very much confused.
Socialism seems to be making

progress.

Reports from all parts of the state indicate good meetings and we should see an encouraging increase in the vote in November. BIG UNEMPLOYED ARMY IN

TENNERSEE STILL GROWING

By State Sec. J. E. Voss.

The Socialists of Tennessee have considered. The Finger is onal districts; also have candidates to the state Legislature in Shelby, Davidson and Hamilton Counties. With work we could carry Posse County. son and Hamilton Counties. With work we could carry Roane County. The "out of work" wave struck Tennessee about the middle of September and is increasing. Fully 48 per cent of the workers are out of employment.

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